

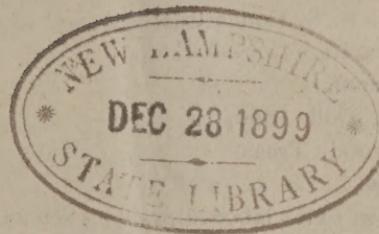
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## TREASURER'S REPORT.

## RECEIPTS.

Rec'd of A. J. Wedgwood, Treas. 1885,	356 85
County,	267 47
Hired Money,	1 820 00
State Treas. Literary fund,	121 60
State Treas. Savings bank tax,	245 34
State Treas. Int. on bonds,	60 00
T. F. Taylor, Coll. 1884,	20 41
T. F. Taylor, " 1885,	158 00
T. F. Taylor, " 1886,	3 523 26
School house tax, Dist. No. 4,	54 27
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	\$6 627 20

## EXPENDITURES.

## TOWN OFFICERS BILLS.

Chas. Parsons, 1st Selectman,	33 33
John M. Drake, 2d "	33 33
Albert B. Lamper, 3d "	33 33

James F. Cate, Super. of Check list, 1886,	15 00
Edgar A. Roberts, " " "	12 00
Lewis C. Clark, " " 1885-6,	15 00
A. N. Gould, S. S. Committee,	9 00
James M. Leavitt, "	9 00
Milton C. Morse, "	7 00
T. F. Taylor, Coll. 1886,	40 00
A. J. Wedgwood, Treas.	20 00
S. E. Stevens,	10 00
Paid Selectmen extra labor appraising school houses.	
Charles Parsons,	8 00
John M. Drake,	8 00
A. B. Lamper,	8 00
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	\$260 99

### TOWN PAUPERS.

S. A. Stokes for Mrs. Demeritt, rent	36 00
G. W. Lougee, M. D. for " Med. att.	6 15
J. L. Demeritt, " " Supplies,	88 93
J. M. Drake, for A. Bunker, labor	5 00
J. M. Drake, " " bal. on cow,	4 00
C. M. Leavitt, for A. Bunker, Supplies,	3 50
J. W. Champion, " " labor,	3 00
A. M. Drake, " " Supplies,	10 00
G. F. Drake, " " labor,	3 00
J. M. Meloon, " " "	11 28
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	\$170 86

### COUNTY PAUPERS.

T. F. Taylor for B. F. Taylor 2d, wood	5 00
A. B. Lamper " " supplies	77 61
J. M. Leavitt M. D. for B. F. Taylor, med. att.	45 55
S. E. Stevens " " supplies	71 81
Alice Reed " " labor	15 00

O. L. Cate for B. F. Taylor 2d wood,	17 50
J. F. Cate " " labor,	21 50
J. M. Drake " " burial,	5 00
S. P. Bryant for Gray child,	84 00
G. W. Lougee for Williams family,	25 75
Chas Parsons " " child burial,	10 00
Merrow & Lougee for Julia Williams,	14 50
Merrow " " John "	16 00
J. M. Leavitt M. D. for Willis Powers,	12 00
Fred Clough " " "	2 00
G. W. Lougee M. D. for Chas. Gray,	1 00
J. W. Champion for J. Williams,	4 00
J. L. Demeritt " " family,	16 51
C. Parsons services as sheriff, " "	4 92
A. F. Wilkinson, for John Williams	3 00
Mary E. Marston, for Williams family	3 06
A. M. Drake, for W. H. Shaw	16 00
J. M. Drake, for Williams family	9 50
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	\$481 21

### MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

W. H. Jacobs, printing reports, 1885	15 00
E. C. Eastman, books	5 65
J. N. Smith, tax on Bunker place	7 52
A. N. Gould, record births and deaths	1 00
J. M. Drake, stationery	1 50
A. M. Brackett, insurance on Bunker buildings	3 75
A. N. Gould, school laws	75
Joshua Durgin, preambulating town line 1885	1 50
J. K. Meloon, board of selectmen	4 00
W. B. Conner, surveying town line	3 00
A. B. Lamper, surveying town line	5 00
J. M. Drake, " " " "	5 00
A. M. Rumery, recording deed	60

J. M. Leavitt M. D. record of births and deaths,	4 00
J. B. Davis, stone,	16 00
J. B. Sanborn, stationery,	30 50
Frank Weeks, advise,	3 00
Chas. Parsons, Ex. and postage,	1 04
M. H. Nutter, Posts for guide boards,	1 00
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	\$109 81

State Tax,	476 00
County Tax,	1 139 48
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	\$1 615 48

Weymouth Bunker legacy due from Bunker est., 50 00

#### HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

W. A. Clough, labor,	7 97
J. Young, "	4 37
G. W. Nute,	2 37
C. K. Champion,	2 62
A. N. Gould,	50
J. M. Drake, plank,	8 35
J. Glidden, labor,	1 75
A. Clough,	2 00
S. Q. Dearborn, plank,	5 05
Joshua Durgin, labor,	5 40
A. J. Sanders,	1 25
J. V. Granville,	1 86
A. Clough, breaking roads,	2 60
J. Bryant, labor,	62
S. H. Dorr,	1 12
Geo. Beck,	1 25
Sewall Kennett, plank,	7 50
Ran Keniston, labor,	3 75
Benj. Wilkinson,	2 96

J. L. Drake,	4 00
Pratt Bros. plank,	5 16
F. W. Barker, labor and plank,	5 35
C. H. Stevens, plank,	75
T. F. Taylor, plow,	
C. P. Kimball, labor,	3 80
A. B. Lamper,	9 25
T. B. Young, 1885	5 85
Ira Drake,	1 50
Amos Emerson,	1 25
C. G. Wilkinson,	1 88
E. Williams,	3 10
Samuel Allen,	2 00
C. E. Moore, plank,	9 02
G. W. Remick, labor,	75
Jos. Drake,	3 00
T. F. Taylor,	8 00
S. Day,	2 50
T. M. Thompson,	8 30
Geo. Stevens,	2 40
M. H. Nutter, plank,	1 79
J. M. Meloon, labor,	60
G. F. Drake,	3 98
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	\$148 27

## BREAKING ROADS.

Winter 1885-6.

A. N. Gould,	1 00
G. A. Stevens,	1 25
A. Clough,	3 36
C. Edwards,	4 10

W. A. Clough,	8 56
Jos. Lear,	1 80
J. Young,	5 40
J. Glidden,	1 30
Rob. Fulton,	1 20
Fred Clough,	1 45
B. H. Emerson,	2 76
B. F. Lear,	1 00
F. Emmos,	6 15
D. W. Taylor,	6 00
L. C. Clark,	3 50
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	\$48 83

Paid Religious Societies.

3d F. W. B. 1883-4-5,	20 34
C. Baptist, 1886,	10 40
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	\$30 79

Damage by Dogs. Pd. Chas. H. Stevens,	3 00
Support of Schools,	501 53

PAID ON NOTES.

A. J. Wedgwood, in part,	30 00
Mary E. Marston, in full,	1 761 92
Mary E. Flanders, in part,	20 00
Sarah J. Champion, in full,	162 36
John T. Hodgdon, in part	200 00
Sewell Kennett,	25 00
Geo. E. Doane, B. W. Dutton Note, in part,	25 00
John V. Granville, in part,	50 00
Louisa A. Palmer, in part,	100 00

Cora M. Leavitt, in part,	300 00
	\$2 674 28

## Abatements, T. F. Taylor, Collector, 1884.

J. F. Brown,	5 02
Geo. Waterhouse,	10 45
F. O. Flanders,	2 15
Geo. Brown,	18
E. McKeen,	2 16
	\$20 41

1885.

Geo. Waterhouse,	9 36
Edwin Towle,	2 08
J. L. Demeritt,	6 00
T. F. Pray,	2 08
F. O. Flanders,	2 08
G. F. Brown,	2 08
D. B. Sanborn,	2 08
Evaus McKeen,	2 83
Thomas Oleson,	4 33
	\$32 92

1886

J. W. Champion, Watering Trough,	1 00
C. K. Champion, " "	1 00
Lorenzo Champion, " "	1 00
C. S. Meloon, " "	1 50
W. T. Davis, " "	1 50
B. W. Hanson, " "	3 00
P. H. Chesley, " "	1 50
I. F. Rowe, " "	1 50
A. F. Marston, " "	1 50

T. F. Taylor, Watering Trough,	1 50
Moses Cooper, " "	1 50
John Williams,	3 72
E. A. Roberts, dog,	1 00
Jonathan Hobbs, Ox.	45
Frank Quimby,	3 00
John W. Perkins, poll,	1 50
John Merrifield, "	1 08
Thomas Danforth, dog,	1 00
D. P. Demeritt "	1 00
Frank Emmons, "	1 00
John Davis, poll,	1 86
Thomas Tuttle, error,	2 00
J. S. Smith, "	83
J. Young, poll,	1 66
J. D. Champion,	1 08
Mrs. Benj. Leavitt,	2 29
S. K. Meloon,	20
Jos. Bryant,	34
Alphonzo Taylor,	75
E. Clough,	50
Frank Wilkinson,	4 95
J. L. Stevens, error,	85
C. T. Meloon, dog,	1 00
S. P. Glidden,	1 88
J. L. Marston, horse,	93
Est. of John Libby, error,	1 47
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	\$52 84

## RECAPITULATION.

Town Officers bills,	260 99
Town Pauper "	170 86
County " "	481 15

Highways,	149 27
Highways, winter 1885-6,	48 83
Miscellaneous bills,	109 81
Religious Societies,	30 79
Damage by Dogs,	3 00
State Tax;	476 00
County Tax,	1 139 48
Support of Schools,	501 53
Paid on Notes,	2 674 28
Paid on Bunker farm,	50 00
Abatements,	106 17
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	\$6 202 16
Whole amt. of Receipts,	6 627 20
Whole amt. of Expenditures,	6 202 16
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Leaves bal. in Treasury,	\$425 04

## STANDING OF TOWN.

## Liabilities, Town Notes.

Freeman Moulton,	78 61
John V. Granville,	264 23
Louisa A. Palmer,	557 28
Betsey W. Dutton,	102 66
Sarah A. Hayes,	81 77
Mary E. Flanders,	90 10
Elizabeth F. Hobbs,	85 35
Sewell Kennett,	81 98
James B. Leavitt,	40 83
James B. Leavitt, Cong. Society,	53 97
Eunice M. Demeritt,	81 29

John T. Hodgdon,	731 20
John T. Hodgdon,	362 67
Albra Wilkinson,	63 94
A. J. Wedgwood,	217 59
John K. Meloon,	200 21
Cora M. Leavitt,	1 542 00
S. A. Meloon,	20 40
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	\$4 656 06

## Due Religious Societies.

1st, F. W. B.	12 59
2d, "	10 65
3d, "	5 63
4th, "	1 71
5th, "	4 12
Cong.	12 13
Advent,	9 80
Universalist,	1 61
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	\$58 24

## Due School Districts in 1885.

No. 1,	5 96
No. 6,	1 96
No. 7,	1 57
No. 10,	80
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	\$10 29

Bal. of School money for 1886, \$29 04

Due on Bunker farm, \$50 00

Whole Amt. of Liabilities, \$4 803 63

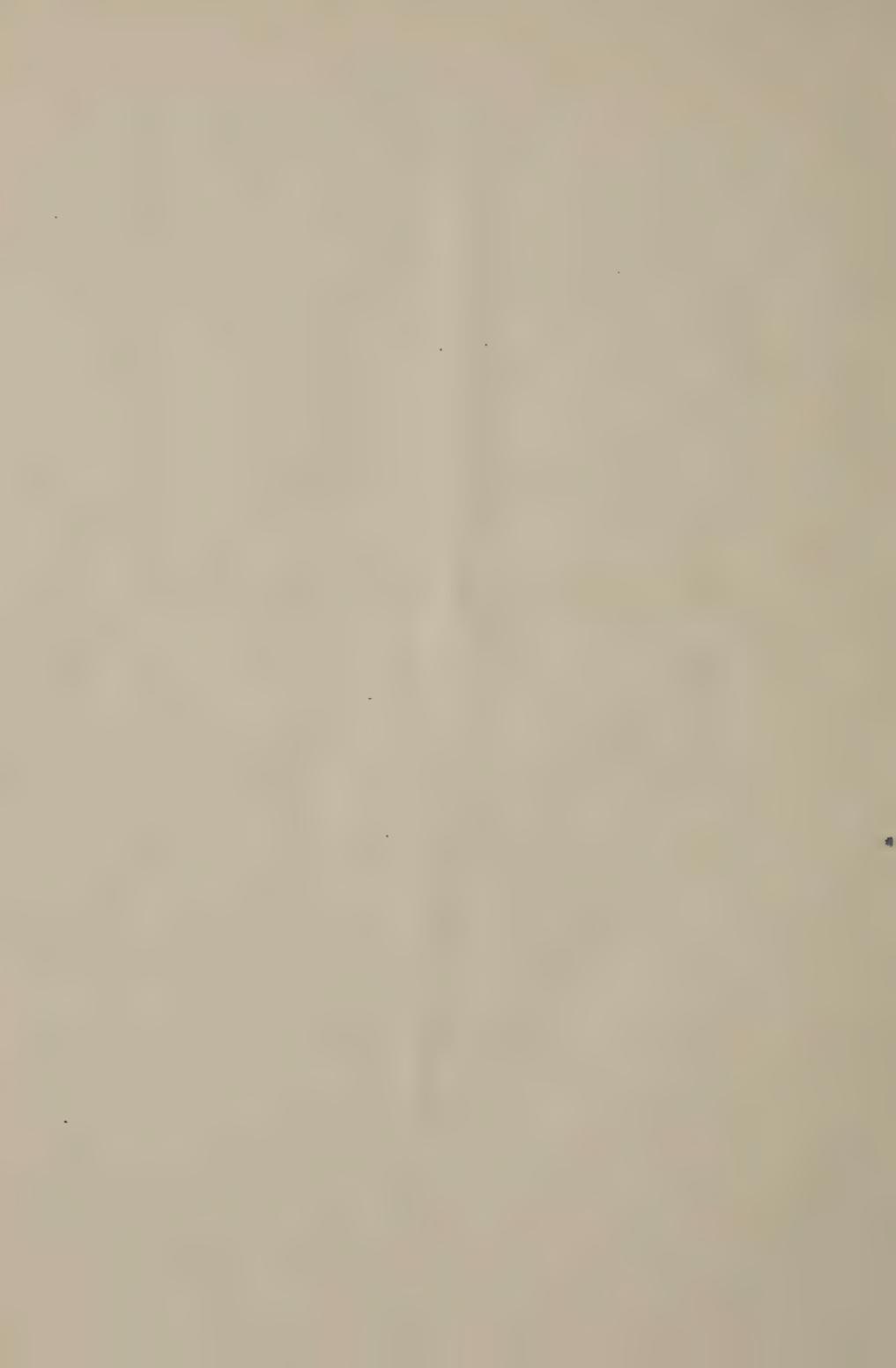
## ASSETS.

Bonds,	1 000 00
Isaac Thurston, land,	20 00
B. F. Bunker, farm,	350 00
John V. Granville, note,	48 91
T. F. Taylor, note,	84 64
Hay on Bunker farm,	30 00
Due from County,	286 60
Cash in Treasury,	425 04
T. F. Taylor, Collector, 1884,	29 59
T. F. Taylor, " 1885,	42 00
T. F. Taylor, " 1886,	200 00
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	\$2 516 78
Whole amt. of liabilities,	4 803 63
Less assets,	2 516 78
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Leaves town debt,	\$2 286 85
Debt 1885,	3 408 79
Debt 1886,	2 286 85
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Reduction in 1886,	\$1 121 94

We the undersigned, have this day examined the accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer, and hereby report that we find them carefully cast and supported by proper vouchers.

CHARLES H. STEVENS, } Auditors of  
FRANK W. BARKER, } Effingham.

Effingham, Feb. 28, 1887.



# REPORT OF THE School Board.

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To the citizens of Effingham.: The School Board here-with submit their first annual report for the school year ending March 1st. 1887.

Your Board of Education, teachers, and scholars have all labored under unusual disadvantages during the past year. The meagre sum placed at our disposal amounting to but five hundred and thirty dollars and fifty cents was hardly more than sufficient to maintain two different schools. The majority of the people were bitterly opposed to the new school law.

There were various local influences also which were prejudicial to the highest interests of some of our schools. No matter how earnestly the Board endeavored to allay public apprehension in regard to working of the new law- their efforts were too frequently met with distrust. No matter how faithfully the teachers labored in the school-room they felt the results of evil outside influences. In former years the town of Effingham has been very liberal in its appropriations for school purposes:

sometimes raising an amount extra to that required by law; of seven hundred dollars! more than doubling the ~~amount required~~ by law.

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### LORD'S HILL SCHOOL.

First term taught by Josiah Dearborn. Length of term, 8 weeks; No. of scholars, 27. Average daily attendance, 26. Wages of teacher per month, including board, \$20.00

This was the teachers first attempt, and a marked improvement was noted in both teacher and scholars at the close of the term.

Second term under same teacher. Length of term, 4 weeks. No. of scholars, 29. Average daily attendance, 27. Wages of teacher per month, including board, \$28.00.

The work of the year was satisfactory on the part of both teacher and scholars.

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### SOUTH EFFINGHAM SCHOOL.

Mattie Mitchell, Teacher. Only one term for the year. Length of term, 8 weeks. Whole No of scholars, 15. Average daily attendance, 7, 7. Wages of teacher per month, including board, \$22.00.

The teacher of this school labored under very discouraging circumstances on account of outside influences; and we think if parents desire their children to get the most benefit from their school priveledges, it would be much better for them, to give them home instruction, as to the importance of faithfulness in study, and obedience to teachers. In a different district the teacher would have met with better success.

### DAVIS SCHOOL.

First term taught by Elva N. Staples. Length of term, 8

weeks. No. of scholars, 21 Average daily attendance, 19  
Wages per month, including board, \$24.00.

Second term taught by Elva N. Staples. Length of term,  
4 weeks. Whole No. of scholars, 22 Average daily attendance 20—  
Wages of teacher per month, including board, \$24.00.

Both terms of this school being under the supervision of  
Miss Staples, an accomplished and experienced teacher, we  
looked for good results and were not disappointed.

### EFFINGHAM FALLS SCHOOL.

First term taught by Abbie S. Lougee. Length of term,  
8 weeks. No. of scholars, 32. Average daily attendance, 20.  
Wages of teacher per month, including board, \$24.00.

Miss Lougee is a teacher of experience and ability, but as  
the worm at the root destroys the most beautiful rose, so prej-  
udice in a neighborhood will destroy the life and energy of the  
school-room, thus has it proved to a certain extent in this case

Second term taught by Miss Elva N. Staples. Length of  
term, 4 weeks. Average daily attendance,— Wages of teach-  
er per month, including board, \$32.00.

The teacher as usual gave good satisfaction.

### CLOUGH SCHOOL.

Ada E. Whiting, Teacher. Only one term for the year.  
Length of term, 7 3-5 weeks. No. of scholars, 7. Average  
daily attendance, 6. Wages per month, including board, \$21.50

The improvement in this school far exceeded our most san-  
guine expectations. Miss Whiting having shown herself mis-  
tress of the situation and at our last visit the neatness and or-  
der that reigned in the school-room— was worthy of remark.

### CENTRE EFFINGHAM SCHOOL.

First term taught by Martha O. Hobbs. Length of term,  
8 weeks. No. of scholars, 32. Average daily attendance, 30,2  
Wages of teacher per month, including board, \$24.00.

Miss Hobbs is an experienced teacher, and succeeded bet-

ter than was anticipated, as there was much dissatisfaction among many in regard to her appointment to the charge of this school. Second term taught by Abbie S. Lougee. Length of term, 4 weeks. No. of scholars, 33. Average daily attendance, 31. Wages of teacher per month, including board, \$20.00.

The discipline was excellent, the appearance of the school was very satisfactory, and the scholars made good progress in their studies. It is to be regretted that the term was of necessity so short.

#### CHAMPION SCHOOL.

Two terms. First term taught by Lulu M. Wentworth. Length of term, 8 weeks. No. of scholars, 14. Average daily attendance, 13. Wages of teacher per month, including board, \$20.00. Second term, Alice L. Sanborn, Teacher. Length of term, 5 weeks. No. of scholars, 15. Average daily attendance, 13. Wages of teacher per month, including board, \$22.00. This was Miss Wentworth's second attempt at teaching. She proved herself interested in the welfare of her pupils, who heretofore have been in the habit of going over more ground in their studies than was profitable; and thoroughness this term was made more prominent than previously.

The second term under Miss Alice L. Sanborn, was conducted with a view to correct the same fault, and the school made better advancement in knowledge of the branches pursued than usual. This was Miss Sanborn's first attempt.

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In conclusion: your School Board would respectfully submit that whatever may be any persons opinion in regard to the new law, we ought not to allow our prejudices to lead us away from the paths we have trod in former years, which have led us to noble results. Pupils educated in our schools, have reflected greatest credit upon the educational facilities they have received in good old Effingham, and our schools in former years have had a wide spread fame, and have sent out men and women who have made their mark in the world. Let us not wilfully and maliciously turn our backs upon the noble record of the past by being parsimonious in regard to raising money.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT N. GOULD, } School  
FRANK T. LOUCEE. }  
W. H. COTTON. } Board.